** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 05/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-02-01
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 **

The team of MMMonVHF is very proud to publish the results of the
"Best VHF DX expedition 2011"

During the voting period, Jan 1th to Jan 20th, we counted 145 voters,
the highest number since 2007.
These voters were from 25 different countries and they have made 353
votes for 50 different expeditions. All these expeditions were
published on the REVIEWS pages of MMMonVHF during the year 2011:
http://mmmonvhf.de/review.php

The voting was divided in a section MS (terrestical) and EME

The winners:

SECTION MS

1st place and "Best VHF MS expedition 2011" : C37MS
2nd place: 7P8EME
3rd place: US8ZAL/P

SECTION EME

1st place and "Best VHF EME expedition 2011" : C56EME
2nd place: 7P8EME
3rd place: 8P9DL / 8P9MS / 8P9HP

C37MS was organized by Chris, PA2CHR, who is known for many
expeditions in the past.

C56EME was organized by Rene, PE1L, together with Eltje, PA3CEE, and
Johan, PE9DX. This team set a new worldrecord with making 361 initials
in 10 days from Gambia.

On behalf of the whole VHF-community, the team MMMonVHF is congratulating
the members of both expeditions with their title of honour. This is our
way to thank them for their efforts and great expeditions.

But our thanks and respects are also going to all who went on expeditions
and spended time and money in giving us new DXCC's and squares and we hope
that many more are encouraged to do so also!

As always we also give an extra T-shirt to one of the voters that was
selected random. The winner of this T-shirt is Eene, PA3CEG.

The complete results are published om the MMMonVHF webpage:

http://mmmonvhf.de/trophy.php

SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the team of MMMonVHF

** MS Sprint Contest 2011 **

Every year MMMonVHF and DUBUS are organizing the MS Sprint Contest
around the maximum of the Perseids meteorshower. The logs have been
processed and the winners for 2011 are known!

Section QRP

1st Place: ON6NL
2nd Place: UT5U
3rd Place: RK1AA/1

Section QRO

1st Place: RX1AS
2nd Place HB9FAP
3rd Place UT2UB

Section Team:

QRP F/SV1NZX
QRO US8ZAL
/P YU2DX

Best station outside Europe

W7OJT

Complete list of results and soapbox is available on:
http://mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php?year=2011

All stations will receive an E-award from the contestmanager DK5EW.
The team of MMMonVHF and DUBUS congratulates the winners of each section.

SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

** Meteorscatter February / March 2012 **

Only minor showers hit the Earth in February - March. The most significant is
Capricornids / Sagittariids (peaking February 2nd), a medium-ZHR daytime
shower; its radiant culminates at relatively low elevation in northern
hemisphere skies. Sporadic meteors have reached their seasonal minimum,
but MS contacts are still possible, especially in early morning hours.
Have a look to MS predictions for February - March 2012, at our
MMM MS-Propagation page. The page will be updated end of month for February
and March.

SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire (PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC: FG; square: FK96; start 2012-04-12 **

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12
and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** 3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND **

Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM will once
again be active from Annobon Island (AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010,
DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively.

According to their Web page they arrive at Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, by
the middle of February. (dates to be determined). In Malabo, they will
purchase all needed provisions as there are on stores on the island of
Annobon. A representative of the Ministry will also be traveling with
them to Annobon. If they have free time, they will have a active station
on the air on CW or SSB and RTTY using the callsign 3C6A from Malabo,
Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea. Then they will travel to Annobon and
be active as 3C0E. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Suggested frequencies

are:
CW - 1826.5 (*RX), 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 3785, 7075/7145, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24960 and 28480
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50.104/CW and 50.145/SSB MHz
RX AS/OC 1821.5
RX EU/NA 1834.0
QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernabï¿½ Coll, P.O.Box 3097,
03080 Alicante, Spain. They are looking for sponsors for this very
expensive operation. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at:

http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

SOURCE: [OPDX] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1047

** South Shetland, VP8/S **

Adrian EA1CYK/P is active from VP8/S

Until March 2012, Adrian EA1CYK/P is active on 6m SSB and digital modes during spare time from the Antarctic base of Gabriel de Castilla (WAP: ESP-02) on Deception Island, South Shetland AN-010. If possible he will also try to be active from the Juan Carlos I (WAP: ESP-01) base on Livingstone Island. He will be qrv 06:00 AM UTC y las 14:00 PM UTC at weekends and 15:00 y 18:00 PM UTC on working days. QSL via EA7LS.

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SOURCE: tnx to EA3AKY via MMMonVHF

** Gabon, TR **

Sebastien, F4EIH will be in Gabon for at least three years starting on 1 February. He plans to operate SSB, PSK31 and JT65 on the HF and VHF (EME and Satellite) bands.

SOURCE: F6AJA, Les Nouvelles DX via 425dxn]

** Spratly Islands, 9M0 **

Plans for the expedition to Layang Layang, Spratly Islands are developing. A large team of operators from Malaysia, Japan and England, divided up into three groups, is expected to be active as 9M0L indicatively between 5 and 17 April. A website is under construction at http://9m0l.legendchew.com/

SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 30 Jan. 2012

** Niue, ZK2 **

A German team consisting of Heidi DK1MA, Sid DM2AYO, Rolf DL7VEE, Jan DL7JAN, Klaus DK1AX, J?rgen DF1AL, Heye DJ9RR, Dietmar DL2HWA and Uwe DJ9HX plan to be active as ZK2C from the Namukulu Cottages, located in the north-west part of the Niue Island (IOTA OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA 2139, WW Loc. AH51BB), from 3-17 February, 2012. They will be QRV on all bands (160m to 6m) in CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations on air simultaneously using 500 watt solid state amplifiers and various

antennas. QSL Bureau via DL7JAN or direct and OQRS.
Online log will be available at ClubLog. Further information and updates
on their website at: http://zk2c.hkmann.de/

SOURCE: dx-world.net via ICPO

** Ogasawara, JD1 **

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1
from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** St. Kilda, GM **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands (EU-059,
Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time, from 16-21 May, 2012.
QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** 4U1, ITU HQ (Special Activity), qrv HF and 50 MHz **

The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, will be operating with the special
callsign 4U1WRC between January 23rd and February 17th. Activity will take place
during the ITU World Radio Conference 2012 (WRC-12) from Geneva, Switzerland.
Operations will be from 160-6 meters, eventually higher, all modes.
All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL available via 4U1ITU. Short updates
of the operation will be posted on twitter at: http://twitter.com/4u1itu
More detailed information is availabe on the Web site at: http://life.itu.int/radioclub

SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

** Democratic Republic of Congo, 9Q6

Barney, ZS4U (ZS6TQ) will be active from the Democratic Republic of Congo
between March 10 to April 5, 2012 as 9Q6/ZS4U.

QRV on 40-6m CW, SSB and PSK.

QSL via home call.

SOURCE: dx-world.net, (Jan. 24, 2012)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME